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DISTRICT OF GUAM

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NANYA TECHNOLOGY CORP. U.S.A.,

Plaintiff,

vs.

FUJITSU LIMITED, FUJITSU
MICROELECTRONICS AMERICA, INC.,

Defendants.

CIVIL CASE NO. 06-CV-00025

**FUJITSU MICROELECTRONICS
AMERICA, INC.'S MEMORANDUM
OF POINTS AND AUTHORITIES IN
SUPPORT OF ITS MOTION TO
DISMISS OR TRANSFER TO THE
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF
CALIFORNIA AND FOR A MORE
DEFINITE STATEMENT**

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1 **I. INTRODUCTION**

2 Fujitsu Microelectronics America, Inc. ("FMA") respectfully submits this
3 memorandum in support of its motion to dismiss FMA from this action for lack of jurisdiction
4 and/or improper venue, or alternatively to transfer this action to the Northern District of
5 California, where both FMA and co-plaintiff Nanya Technology Corp. USA ("Nanya USA"), a
6 wholly-owned subsidiary of co-plaintiff Nanya Technology Corp. ("Nanya Taiwan")(collectively
7 "Nanya" or "Plaintiffs") reside. Defendant Fujitsu Limited ("Fujitsu Ltd."), a Japanese
8 corporation, has not yet been properly served in this action.¹

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10 This Court should most appropriately dismiss Nanya's Amended Complaint
11 against FMA for lack of personal jurisdiction and/or for improper venue. First, FMA does not
12 have "minimum contacts" with Guam as required to establish personal jurisdiction generally.
13 FMA is a California corporation, its sales territory does not cover Guam, and it has no agents,
14 place of business, or substantial, continuous or systematic contacts with Guam. Second, the
15 Court lacks specific personal jurisdiction with regard to Nanya's claims because the alleged
16 activities about which Nanya complains did not occur in Guam, nor did they arise from or have
17 anything to do with any alleged contacts between FMA and Guam. FMA did not purposefully
18 avail itself of doing business in Guam.

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20 Nanya's First Amended Complaint For Antitrust Law Violations, Patent
21 Infringement, And For Declaratory Relief ("Amended Complaint") merely alleges that
22 Defendants made a settlement proposal in Japanese proceedings, speculates that the proposal
23 might have effects which "would encompass sales in the United States and the Territory of
24 Guam," and levels the baseless accusation that Defendants are attempting to "capture licensing
25 fees for 100 percent of the DDR SDRAM market . . . among the States and the Territories of the
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28 ¹ Nanya purported to recently serve Fujitsu Ltd. with the Amended Complaint, and thus
Fujitsu Ltd. will respond separately to the Amended Complaint in due course.

1 United States” or to “distort the market in the United States and its territories.” (See Amended
2 Complaint at ¶¶ 32, 43, 49, 50, 53.) These jurisdictional allegations are hypothetical, vague, and
3 not substantiated by specific facts tying any alleged activities to Guam. Moreover, Nanya’s
4 allegations are directed to co-defendant Fujitsu Limited (“Fujitsu Ltd.”), not FMA. Further,
5 Nanya offers no evidence that FMA’s products are or have ever been available in Guam, or that
6 FMA has a reasonable apprehension of being subject to jurisdiction in Guam. Thus, Nanya has
7 failed to establish a *prima facie* case of personal jurisdiction over FMA.
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9 The Court should dismiss FMA from this action or, in the alternative, transfer
10 FMA to the District Court for the Northern District of California, for the additional reason that
11 Guam is an inconvenient forum. The Northern District of California -- where both FMA and
12 Nanya USA reside -- would be much more convenient for the parties and witnesses.
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14 Nanya’s Amended Complaint also does not identify a single accused infringing
15 product and, therefore, fails to state a discernible claim for patent infringement. Because FMA
16 has not received fair notice of the grounds of the infringement claims, this Court should grant
17 FMA’s motion for a more definite statement under Rule 12(e).
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19 **II. STATEMENT OF FACTS**

20 **A. FMA Has No Significant Contacts with Guam, nor Any Documents or 21 Witnesses in Guam**

22 FMA is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of California, and
23 maintains its principal place of business at 1250 E. Arques Avenue, M/S 333, Sunnyvale,
24 California 94085-5401. (Michael M. Moore Declaration in Support of Fujitsu Microelectronics
25 America, Inc.’s Motion to Dismiss or Transfer to the Northern District of California and for a
26 More Definite Statement (“Moore Decl.”) ¶ 2). FMA is engaged in the business of sales and
27 design of products for networking, wireless, automotive, industrial, consumer, and security
28 applications. (*Id.* ¶ 3.)

1 FMA does not maintain any offices in Guam and has no operations, affiliates,
2 employees or salespersons in Guam. (*Id.* ¶ 4.) In fact, Guam is not even in FMA's sales territory.
3 (*Id.* ¶ 5.) FMA does not own real or personal property located in Guam. (*Id.* ¶ 6.) It has no bank
4 accounts in Guam. (*Id.* ¶ 7.) It does not lease any office space or other facility of any kind in
5 Guam, nor does it maintain a telephone, telex or telefax number in Guam. (*Id.* ¶ 8.) FMA does
6 not maintain a post office box or street address in Guam. (*Id.* ¶ 9.)

8 Further, FMA is not registered to do business in Guam, (*Id.* ¶ 10), does not file tax
9 returns in Guam, (*id.* ¶ 11), and does not advertise its products or services in any local media in
10 Guam (*id.* ¶ 12). FMA has no directors, officers or employees in Guam and has appointed no
11 agents in Guam for service of process. (*Id.* ¶ 13.) It has never been party to any lawsuit or legal
12 proceeding in Guam Federal District Court.² (*Id.* ¶ 16.) It has filed no papers with any agency of
13 Guam, has never negotiated nor executed any agreements in Guam, nor executed any agreements
14 that call for their performance in Guam. (*Id.* ¶ 17.) Prior to the filing of Nanya's Complaint,
15 FMA has had no correspondence with Nanya of any kind in Guam nor in any way related to any
16 proposed business in Guam. (*Id.* ¶ 18.)

18 On information and belief, plaintiff Nanya is a Taiwanese Corporation having its
19 principal place of business in Hwa Ya Technology Park, 669, Fu Hsing 3rd Rd., Kueishan,
20 Taoyuan, Taiwan, Republic of China. (Amended Complaint ¶ 1.) In its complaint, Nanya alleges
21 patent misuse based in large part on meetings that took place in Taiwan and on infringement
22 proceedings initiated by Fujitsu Ltd. against Nanya in Tokyo District Court. (Amended
23 Complaint ¶¶ 27, 28, 32, 45.) FMA was not a party to these meetings and is not involved at all in
24 the Japanese proceedings. (Moore Decl. ¶ 22.)
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28 ² According to a search of Public Access to Court Electronic Records (PACER), which
dates back to January 1, 1997.

1 Nanya's accusations of patent misuse are directed to Nanya's infringement of
2 patents owned by Fujitsu Ltd. FMA does not own or control these patents. (Moore Decl. ¶ 23.)

3 Nanya's allegations of patent infringement are based on three Nanya patents
4 related to semiconductor devices. (Amended Complaint ¶¶ 58, 66, 74.) Nanya alleges that FMA
5 manufactures "a broad range of microelectronics". (Amended Complaint ¶ 21.) However, FMA
6 does not, in fact, manufacture microelectronics of any kind. (Moore Decl. ¶ 21.) Although FMA
7 sells certain microelectronics, not a single one of its thousands of customers is located in Guam.
8 (*Id.* ¶ 15.) Further, FMA has no information that any of its customers have ever told FMA that it
9 planned to market its products in Guam. (*Id.* ¶ 21.)

11 FMA has no documents relevant to this lawsuit in Guam and knows of no fact
12 witnesses in Guam. (Moore Decl. ¶ 19.) All of FMA's fact witnesses and documents relevant to
13 this litigation are located in the Northern District of California. (*Id.* ¶ 20.) A number of Nanya's
14 likely fact witnesses and documents relevant to this litigation are located in the Northern District
15 of California because that is where Nanya USA maintains its headquarters. (Amended Complaint
16 ¶ 2.)

18 **III. APPLICABLE LAWS**

19 **A. Personal Jurisdiction**

20 **1. Plaintiff Bears the Burden of Establishing Personal Jurisdiction**

21 Under Rule 12(b)(2) plaintiff bears the burden of establishing a *prima facie* case
22 supporting *in personam* jurisdiction. *See Data Disc, Inc. v. Sys. Tech. Assocs., Inc.*, 557 F.2d
23 1280, 1285 (9th Cir. 1977). *See generally Red Wing Shoe Co. v. Hockerson-Halberstadt, Inc.*,
24 148 F.3d 1355, 1359 (Fed. Cir. 1998). If plaintiff fails to meet this burden, the action must be
25 dismissed. *See Rano v. Sipa Press, Inc.*, 987 F.2d 580 (9th Cir. 1993). Even if plaintiff
26 establishes its *prima facie* case, the action must be dismissed if defendant presents a compelling
27 case that the exercise of personal jurisdiction would, in fact, be unreasonable. *Roth v. Garcia*
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1 *Marquez*, 942 F.2d 617, 625 (9th Cir. 1991). The Court can consider facts outside the pleadings
2 on a motion to dismiss for lack of personal jurisdiction. *See Bancroft & Masters, Inc. v. Augusta*
3 *Nat'l, Inc.*, 223 F.3d 1082, 1085 (9th Cir. 2000).

4 **2. Guam's Long-Arm Statute Is Coextensive with the Due Process Clause**

5 To determine whether a defendant is amenable to personal jurisdiction, the court
6 must determine whether the exercise of jurisdiction satisfies the long-arm statute of the state in
7 which the court sits and the Due Process Clause of the United States Constitution. *See Data Disc*,
8 557 F.2d at 1286; *Pennington Seed, Inc. v. Produce Exchange No. 299*, 457 F.3d 1334, 1343-44
9 (Fed. Cir. 2006). Guam's long-arm statute permits a Guam court to exercise personal jurisdiction
10 over non-residents "on any basis not inconsistent with the Organic Act or the Constitution of the
11 United States." 48 U.S.C. § 1421b(u) (Guam Civ. Code § 14109). The scope of jurisdiction
12 granted by the Guam statute is coextensive with that authorized by the federal constitution. *See*
13 *Abuan v. Gen. Elec. Co.*, 735 F. Supp. 1479, 1481 (D. Guam 1990).
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15 **3. Due Process Requires "Minimum Contacts" to Support Personal Jurisdiction**

16 To comport with the Due Process clause of the United States Constitution, a court
17 may only exercise jurisdiction when defendant has "certain minimum contacts such that the
18 maintenance of the suit does not offend 'traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice.'" *Int'l Shoe v. Washington*, 326 U.S. 310, 316 (1945) (citations omitted).
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22 **4. General Jurisdiction Requires Substantial, Continuous or Systematic Contact**

23 When the cause of action is unrelated to the non-resident defendant's forum
24 activities, a court may only exercise general jurisdiction when defendant's contacts with the
25 forum are "substantial, continuous or systematic." *Data Disc.*, 557 F.2d at 1287; *Rano.*, 987 F.2d
26 at 587-588; *Abuan*, 735 F. Supp. at 1482; *see Red Wing Shoe Co.*, 148 F.3d at 1359; *N. Am.*
27 *Phillips Corp. v. Am. Vending Sales, Inc.*, 35 F.3d 1576, 1578 (Fed. Cir. 1994); *Hollyanne Corp.*
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1 v. *TFT, Inc.*, 199 F.3d 1304, 1305-06 (Fed. Cir. 1999).

2 **5. Specific Jurisdiction Requires a Three Part Test**

3 If a defendant's contacts do not support general jurisdiction, "the nature and
4 quality of the forum-related activities must be evaluated in relation to the specific cause of
5 action." See *Pac. Atl. Trading Co., Inc. v. M/V Main Express*, 758 F.2d 1325, 1327 (9th Cir.
6 1985); see *Red Wing Shoe Co.*, 148 F.3d at 1358-59. To assert specific personal jurisdiction: 1)
7 defendant must do some act or consummate some transaction by which it *purposefully avails*
8 itself of the privilege of conducting activities in the forum and invokes the benefits and
9 protections of its laws; 2) plaintiff's claim must arise out of defendant's forum-related activities;
10 and 3) the exercise of jurisdiction must be reasonable and not offend traditional notions of fair
11 play and substantial justice. See *Burger King v. Rudzewicz*, 471 U.S. 462, 487 (1985); *Data*
12 *Disc.*, 557 F.2d at 1287; *Haisten v. Grass Valley Med. Reimbursement Fund, Ltd.*, 784 F.2d 1392,
13 1397 (9th Cir. 1986); *Red Wing Shoe Co.*, 148 F.3d at 1358-59; *Hollyanne*, 199 F.3d at 1307-08.

14 **a. Plaintiff Must Show that Defendant Purposefully Availed Itself of**
15 **the Privilege of Conducting Activities in Guam**

16 In order to meet the first prong of the specific jurisdiction test, plaintiff must
17 demonstrate that the defendant has purposefully directed its activities towards the forum, availing
18 itself of the privilege of conducting activities there, *Hanson v. Denckla*, 357 U.S. 235, 253
19 (1958), such that the defendant might reasonably anticipate being sued in that location. *World-*
20 *Wide Volkswagen v. Woodson*, 444 U.S. 286, 297 (1980). "[R]andom, fortuitous, or attenuated
21 contacts, or of the unilateral activity of another party or third person" in the forum is insufficient.
22 *Haisten*, 784 F.2d at 1397 (quoting *Burger King*, at 2183); see *Red Wing Shoe Co.*, 148 F.3d at
23 1359. Even "foreseeability of injury in a forum does not in itself establish purposeful availment."
24 *Gray & Co. v. Firstenberg Mach. Co., Inc.*, 913 F.2d 758, 761 (9th Cir. 1990).

When deciding whether a defendant has purposefully availed itself of the forum, courts may consider whether and to what extent the defendant has placed the accused products into the stream of commerce. *Asahi Metal Indus. Co. v. Superior Court*, 480 U.S. 102 (1987). To satisfy the purposeful availment prong under a stream of commerce analysis, plaintiff must show 1) the defendant knowingly placed the accused infringing products into the stream of commerce; and 2) the defendant has a reasonable expectation of being subject to jurisdiction in the forum state. *Abuan*, 735 F. Supp. at 1486. A determination of whether defendant's sales rises to the level of purposeful availment may be affected by the volume, the value, and the hazardous character of the components. *Id.* citing *Asahi*, 480 U.S. at 122 (Stevens, J. concurring).

b. Plaintiff Must Establish that the Action Arises Out of the Forum-Related Activities

"The second prong of the specific jurisdiction test is met if 'but for' the contacts between the defendant and the forum state, the cause of action would not have arisen." *Terracom v. Valley Nat'l Bank*, 49 F.3d 555, 561 (9th Cir. 1995). If plaintiff's claim cannot be shown to "arise out of" or relate to defendant's contacts with the forum, those contacts cannot support specific jurisdiction. *Scott v. Breeland*, 792 F.2d 925, 928 (9th Cir. 1986); *see generally Pennington Seed, Inc.*, 457 F.3d at 1344; *Amana Refrigeration, Inc. v. Quadlux, Inc.*, 172 F.3d 852, 857 (Fed. Cir. 1999).

c. Assertion of Personal Jurisdiction over Defendant Must Not Be Unreasonable

The first two prongs alone are not sufficient to allow a court to exercise personal jurisdiction over a defendant, rather "[t]he three *Data Disc* conditions are conjunctive requirements for asserting jurisdiction." *Pac. Atl. Trading*, 758 F.2d at 1329. If the first two prongs are satisfied, the court must separately consider factors indicating whether the exercise of jurisdiction comports with "traditional notions of fair play and substantial justice." *World-Wide Volkswagen*, 444 U.S. at 292; *Haisten*, 784 F.2d at 1400 (citing *Burger King Corp. v. Rudzewicz*,

1 471 U.S. 462, 105 S. Ct. 2175, 2184 (1985)). The Ninth Circuit weighs various factors, with no
 2 one factor being dispositive in the determination of reasonableness. *See Terracom*, 49 F.3d at
 3 561 (discussing seven factors). However, “a defendant need only prove the unreasonableness of a
 4 court’s exercise of personal jurisdiction if it is shown that defendant’s activities were purposefully
 5 directed at the forum state.” *Doe v. Am. Nat’l Red Cross*, 112 F.3d 1048, 1052 (9th Cir. 1997).

7 **B. Where Venue is Improper Dismissal or Transfer Is Mandatory**

8 28 U.S.C. § 1400(b) provides “[a]ny civil action for patent infringement may be
 9 brought in the judicial district where the defendant resides, or where the defendant has committed
 10 acts of infringement and has a regular and established place of business.” If venue is improper,
 11 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a) provides for mandatory dismissal or transfer: “The district court of a district
 12 in which is filed a case laying venue in the wrong division or district shall dismiss, or if it be in
 13 the interest of justice, transfer such case to any district or division in which it could have been
 14 brought.” 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a).

16 **C. Dismissal or Transfer for Inconvenience Is Appropriate Where the Parties’
 17 Contacts with the Forum Are Tenuous or in the Interests of Justice**

18 Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a), any civil action may be transferred “for the
 19 convenience of parties and witnesses, in the interest of justice ... to any other district or division
 20 where it might have been brought.” The purpose of transfer under this section is to “prevent the
 21 waste of time, energy and money and to protect litigants, witnesses and the public against
 22 unnecessary inconvenience and expense.” *Van Dusen v. Barrack*, 376 U.S. 612, 616 (1964)
 23 (citations omitted). In furtherance of this purpose, § 1404(a) provides this Court with broad
 24 discretion to adjudicate motions to transfer. *See Arley v. United Pac. Ins. Co.*, 379 F.2d 183, 185,
 25 n.1 (9th Cir. 1967).³

27 ³ In reviewing a district court’s ruling on a motion to transfer pursuant to 28 U.S.C §
 28 1404(a), the Federal Circuit applies the law of the regional circuit. *Storage Tech. Corp. v. Cisco*
Sys., Inc., 329 F.3d 823, 836 (Fed. Cir. 2003).

1 Though § 1404(a) partially replaces the common law doctrine of *forum non*
2 *conveniens*, the private and public factors traditionally used to decide motions to dismiss under
3 that doctrine⁴ have also been used by courts to decide a motion under § 1404(a). *Decker Coal*
4 *Co. v. Commonwealth Edison Co.*, 805 F.2d 834, 843 (9th Cir. 1986). The relevant private
5 factors include: availability of process to compel the presence of unwilling witnesses; costs of
6 obtaining the presence of unwilling and willing witnesses; relative ease of access to sources of
7 proof; and all other practical problems indicating the case can be tried more expeditiously and
8 less expensively. *Triton Container Int'l, Ltd. v. Compania Anomina Venezolana de Navigacion*,
9 No. 94-00055, 1994 WL 803257, at *2-3 (D. Guam Dec. 12, 1994). The relevant public factors
10 include: the unfairness of imposing jury duty on local community members when no local issues
11 are at stake; the local interest in having localized controversies decided at home; avoidance of
12 unnecessary problems in conflict of laws or in the application of foreign law; and the
13 administrative difficulty of court congestion. *Id.*

14 In support of its motion to transfer, the moving party bears the burden of making a
15
16 “strong showing of inconvenience to warrant upsetting the plaintiff’s choice of forum.” *Triton*
17 *Container*, at *2. However, in judging the proper weight to be given plaintiff’s choice, this Court
18 must consider both “the defendant’s business contacts with the chosen forum and the plaintiff’s
19 contacts, including those relating to his cause of action. If the operative facts have not occurred
20 within the forum of original selection and that forum has no particular interest in the parties or the
21 subject matter, the plaintiff’s choice is entitled only to minimal consideration.” *Pac. Car and*
22 *Foundry Co. v. Pence*, 403 F.2d 949, 954 (9th Cir. 1968).

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28 ⁴ *Piper Aircraft Co. v. Reyno*, 454 U.S. 235 (1981); *Gulf Oil v. Gilbert*, 330 U.S. 501, 508 (1947).

Where an alternative forum exists, the Court may also dismiss for lack of convenience. *Copitas v. Fishing Vessel Alexandros*, No. 98-00013, 3 (D. Guam October 5, 1998) (attached hereto), *aff'd*, 20 Fed. Appx. 744 (9th Cir. 2001) (unpublished).

D. Complaint Alleging Patent Infringement Must Specifically Identify the Accused Infringing Products

When a complaint “is so vague or ambiguous that a party cannot reasonably be required to frame a responsive pleading”, the responding party may move for a more definite statement. Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(e). In patent infringement cases, such a motion for more definite statement or a motion to dismiss is granted when the complaint fails to specifically identify the alleged infringing products. *See Hewlett-Packard Co. v. Intergraph Corp.*, No. 03-2517, 2003 WL 23884794 (N.D. Cal. Sept. 6, 2003) (granting motion to dismiss where complaint failed to identify any particular product and instead alleged only that defendant “sell[s] infringing software and hardware products”); *See also Esoft, Inc. v. Astaro Corp.*, No. 06-00441, 2006 WL 2164454 (D. Colo. July 31, 2006); Fed. R. Civ. P. Form 16 (sample complaint for patent infringement including identification of accused product). Fed. R. Civ. P. 11 requires a plaintiff in a patent case to compare the accused product with the patent claims prior to filing the complaint. *Judin v. United States*, 110 F.3d 780, 784 (Fed. Cir. 1997). Thus, a plaintiff should have information as to at least one specific infringing product before filing, and an identification of the infringing product must be included in the complaint under Rule 12(e).

IV. ANALYSIS

A. FMA Should Be Dismissed from this Action for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction

1. Nanya Cannot Establish General Jurisdiction Because FMA’s Activities in Guam are not Substantial, Continuous or Systematic

Nanya cannot meet its burden to establish a *prima facie* case of personal jurisdiction. *See Data Disc*, 557 F.2d at 1285. Nanya has alleged that “[p]ersonal jurisdiction exists generally over Defendants because each Defendant has sufficient minimum contacts with

1 the forum as a result of business conducted within the Territory of Guam and the District of
2 Guam.” (Amended Complaint ¶ 9.) But this general allegation is not supported by the facts.
3 Nanya does not even allege that FMA conducts “substantial” activities in Guam. In fact, Nanya
4 admits that FMA is not a resident of Guam, does not maintain a regular place of business in
5 Guam, and has no designated agent in Guam for service of process. (*Id.* ¶¶ 3, 4.) The Amended
6 Complaint does not specify any contacts of FMA with Guam, let alone contacts that are
7 substantial, continuous, and systematic, as required for general jurisdiction.
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9 The Amended Complaint recites a series of alleged contacts with Guam by Fujitsu
10 Computer Products of America, Fujitsu General New Zealand Limited, and Fujitsu Ten (*id.* ¶ 20),
11 but the activities of these third parties cannot be ascribed to FMA. Even where a defendant had
12 contact with Guam only through third parties and that defendant had never had an office or
13 presence in Guam, this Court has held that asserting general jurisdiction would be “an
14 un contemplated extension of this Court’s constitutional reach.” *Abuan*, 735 F. Supp. at 1482. In
15 this case, Nanya does not even allege that FMA has had contact through these third parties, and
16 the activities of these third parties are thus wholly irrelevant to jurisdiction over FMA.
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18 As described above in detail, *see supra* section II, FMA has no substantial,
19 continuous or systematic business presence, activities or contacts in Guam. In fact, FMA lacks
20 even a single customer in Guam. *Id.* Therefore, there is insufficient activity, and indeed no
21 activity, to support general jurisdiction under the applicable constitutional standard.
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23 **2. Nanya Cannot Satisfy Specific Jurisdiction for Any of Its Asserted**
24 **Causes of Action.**

25 **a. Nanya Cannot Satisfy the Test for Specific Jurisdiction for Its**
26 **Antitrust Claims**

27 Nanya does not assert that FMA engaged in any of the licensing negotiations that
28 it claims give rise to a violation of the Sherman Antitrust Act or the Clayton Act. Further, FMA
has no ownership interest in or control over any of the patents that are basis of Nanya’s claims

1 under the Sherman Antitrust Act or the Clayton Act. (Moore Decl. ¶ 23.) Thus, as FMA has not
 2 even been accused of the actions that give rise to these claims (indeed it cannot as FMA has
 3 nothing to do with the relevant actions), the antitrust and Sherman Act claims cannot form the
 4 basis of specific jurisdiction with respect to FMA.

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 6 **b. Nanya Cannot Satisfy the Three Part Test for Specific
 Jurisdiction for Its Patent Infringement Claims**

7 In its Amended Complaint, Nanya states that “[t]his proceeding arises, in part, out
 8 of business done in the Territory of Guam and the District of Guam.” (Amended Complaint ¶ 4.)
 9 Nanya also states that “FMA manufactures electronic components that infringe [Nanya’s] patents
 10 with the intention that they would be used in a significant number of consumer products sold in
 11 the United States and the Territory of Guam.” (Amended Complaint ¶ 18.) As explained below,
 12 these statements are incorrect and Nanya cannot show specific jurisdiction over FMA.
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14 **(i) FMA Has Not Purposefully Availed Itself of the
 15 Privilege of Doing Business in Guam**

16 The Ninth Circuit has made it clear that attenuated contacts with a forum are
 17 insufficient to establish that defendants had “purposefully availed themselves of the benefits and
 18 protections of the forum’s laws.” *Gray*, 913 F.2d at 761. In *Gray*, the Court stated that
 19 “[p]urposeful availment requires that the defendant engage in some form of affirmative conduct
 20 allowing or promoting the transaction of business within the forum state.” *Id.* at 760. The
 21 defendants’ contacts with the forum in *Gray* consisted of responding to plaintiff’s solicitation for
 22 a filter, telephone conversations with the plaintiff in Oregon, mailing the invoice to the plaintiff in
 23 Oregon and accepting payment. *Id.* at 760-61. Based on these facts, the Court held that
 24 defendants’ contacts with the forum fell in “the category of ‘attenuated contacts.’” *Id.* at 761.
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26 In this case, Nanya cannot establish even the level of contacts held to be
 27 insufficient in *Gray*. Nanya has made only the vague and unsupported claim that “FMA
 28 manufactures electronic components that infringe [Nanya’s] patents with the intention that they

1 would be used in a significant number of consumer products sold in the United States and the
2 Territory of Guam.” (Amended Complaint ¶ 18.) First of all, FMA does not manufacture
3 microelectronics as Nanya alleges. (Moore Decl. ¶ 21.) Although FMA does sell various
4 products, including microelectronics, it does not have even a single customer in Guam. (Moore
5 Decl. ¶ 15.) Nor does FMA have any other contacts with Guam that would meet the standard set
6 forth in Gray. (*See supra* section II).

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8 Furthermore, Nanya cannot show that FMA inserted its accused products into the
9 “stream of commerce” and that FMA had a reasonable expectation that it would be haled into
10 court in Guam. *See Abuan*, 735 F. Supp. at 1480-81. In *Abuan*, this Court adopted the stream of
11 commerce plus reasonable expectation test set forth by Justice Stevens in *Asahi*. *Id.* Under that
12 test, in order to satisfy the purposeful availment prong of the specific jurisdiction test, a party
13 must introduce a product into the stream of commerce and must have a reasonable expectation
14 that it would be haled into court in the forum state. *Id.* quoting *Asahi*, 480 U.S. at 122 (Stevens
15 J., concurring). Further, whether the party has a reasonable expectation is based on “the volume,
16 the value, and the hazardous character of the components.” *Id.*

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18 Here, Nanya has failed to even identify a single accused infringing product in its
19 Amended Complaint, let alone establish that: 1) such a product traveled through the stream of
20 commerce and ended up in Guam; and (2) FMA had a reasonable expectation of being subject to
21 jurisdiction in Guam due to such sales. *See Abuan*, 735 F. Supp. at 1486.

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23 Consequently, Nanya cannot meet its burden to show that FMA “purposefully
24 directed” its activities toward Guam, availing itself of the privilege of conducting activities there.

(ii) Nanya's Claims Do Not Arise from Any Activities by FMA in Guam

Nanya has identified no activities whatsoever in Guam that give rise to the alleged patent infringement claims. There is no evidence, or even allegation, that FMA infringes the Nanya patents in Guam or has done anything in Guam that gave rise to these claims.

(iii) Exercise of Specific Jurisdiction Would Be Unreasonable

As discussed at length above, Nanya has not established the requisite minimum contacts between FMA and Guam. A balancing of relevant factors indicates that exercise of jurisdiction over FMA would, in fact, be unreasonable. Even if FMA had contacts that were sufficient to establish jurisdiction, the extent of its purposeful interjection into the forum would be too minimal to justify the assertion of jurisdiction. In fact, there is no purposeful interjection of FMA into Guam. In addition, the burden on FMA to litigate in this forum would be substantial. Virtually all of the documents and witnesses related to these events are located in California, Taiwan and Japan. These factors together demonstrate that assertion of jurisdiction over FMA would be unreasonable.

c. Nanya Cannot Satisfy the Three Part Test for Specific Jurisdiction for its Declaratory Judgment Claims

For the same reasons that Nanya cannot establish specific jurisdiction for its infringement claims, it also cannot establish specific jurisdiction for its declaratory judgment claims. In particular, in its Amended Complaint, Nanya seeks declaratory relief related to Fujitsu Ltd. patents based on alleged infringement accusations made by Fujitsu Ltd. in meetings that took place in Taiwan and Japan and on infringement proceedings initiated by Fujitsu Ltd. against Nanya in Tokyo District Court. (Amended Complaint ¶¶ 27, 28, 32, 45.) Of course, since (1) FMA is not the owner of the subject patents, (2) did not participate in the licensing negotiations, and (3) had nothing to do with the Japanese infringement proceedings, specific jurisdiction over FMA on these counts clearly does not exist. (Moore Decl. ¶¶ 22, 23.)

B. FMA Must Be Dismissed from this Action or Transferred for Improper Venue

FMA should also be dismissed from this action pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(b)(3) and 28 U.S.C. § 1406, for improper venue. Venue in this District is improper because FMA does not reside in, and is not subject to personal jurisdiction in Guam; none of the events giving rise to the claim occurred here; nor does FMA have a regular or established place of business in this district. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1391(c) and 1400(b); (Moore Decl. ¶¶ 4-15.)

Because Nanya cannot satisfy the requisite bases for venue in this district, *see also* 28 U.S.C. § 1391(a), dismissal or transfer is mandatory. 28 U.S.C. § 1406.

C. FMA Should Be Dismissed or in the Alternative, Transferred from this Action for Lack of Convenience

1. Nanya Could Have Brought This Action in the Northern District of California

Even if this Court finds some basis for personal jurisdiction and/or proper venue in this district, this case should still be transferred to the N. D. of California. Because both FMA and co-plaintiff Nanya USA reside there, it is evident that the N. D. California is an existing alternative forum with a significant interest in adjudicating this dispute.

2. The Balance of Convenience Favors Dismissal or Transfer of FMA from this Action to the Northern District of California

Though a party moving to transfer an action must typically make a “strong showing of inconvenience” to warrant upsetting the plaintiff’s choice of forum, *Triton Container*, 1994 WL 803257, at *2, in this case, Nanya’s choice of forum is entitled to only minimum consideration because no substantial contacts with Guam exist with respect to either of the parties. *See Pac. Car*, 403 F.2d at 954-55;

The balance of convenience clearly favors transferring FMA to the N. D. of

California.⁵ None of the relevant documents and/or witnesses are located in Guam because none of the actions giving rise to Nanya's claims have any relation to Guam and neither Nanya nor FMA resides in Guam. (Amended Complaint ¶¶ 1, 2, 3, 4.) Relevant documents would have to be shipped to Guam and witnesses would have to travel from such places as California to give testimony. *See Pac. Car*, 403 F.2d at 953. To echo this Court's own words, "it is doubtful that Plaintiffs could have selected a United States forum that was more distant than Guam is from the principal places of business of the respective parties." *Triton Container*, 1994 WL 803257, at *3. Additionally, there is no local interest in deciding this case in Guam. *Id.*; *see also Copitas v. Fishing Vessel Alexandros*, No. 98-00013, 4 (D. Guam October 5, 1998) (Attachment A hereto), *aff'd*, 20 Fed. Appx. 744 (9th Cir. 2001) (unpublished). Consequently, it is unfair to impose jury duty in this case on the local community.

Accordingly, transfer to the N. D. of California is appropriate. Indeed, in a case as egregious as this, where there are no contacts in Guam and there is clearly an alternative forum, dismissal for *forum non conveniens* is appropriate. *Copitas v. Fishing Vessel Alexandros*, No. 98-00013, 5-6 (D. Guam October 5, 1998) (attached hereto), *aff'd*, 20 Fed. Appx. 744 (9th Cir. 2001) (unpublished) (dismissing action on grounds of *forum non conveniens*).

Finally, the interests of justice are best served by transferring this case to the N. D. of California where the Court has promulgated a special set of local patent rules for litigants due to the large number of patent cases handled by that court. *See* U.S. Dist. Ct. N.D. Cal. Patent L.R. 1-2.

⁵ Plaintiffs regularly appear in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California. Indeed, a recent on-line search revealed dozens of cases in which plaintiffs presently or recently have been parties to litigation in the Northern District, including numerous patent and antitrust litigations.

D. Nanya's Amended Complaint Does Not Relate Back to Its Original Complaint; Therefore, FMA's N.D. Cal. Complaint Is "First Filed"

As explained below, Nanya's Amended Complaint, filed on November 17, 2006, does not relate back to its original Complaint. Therefore, a complaint filed by defendants in the N.D. of California on October 24, 2006 (N.D. Cal. Complaint") is the effective "first filed" complaint, and this factor further indicates that the present case should be transferred to the N. D. of California.

Under Fed. R. Civ. Pro. 15(c), an amended complaint relates back to the date of the original complaint when: "(1) relation back is permitted by the law that provides the statute of limitations applicable to the action; or (2) the claim or defense asserted in the amended pleading arose out of the conduct, transaction, or occurrence set forth or attempted to be set forth in the original pleading; or (3) the amendment changes the party or the naming of the party against whom a claim is asserted...". The facts of this case do not satisfy any of the requirements of Rule 15(c) governing relation back. First, Rule 15(c)(1) does not apply because the statute of limitations for claims of patent infringement set forth in 35 U.S.C. § 286 does not permit relation back.

Rule 15(c)(2) does not apply in this case because (1) "[a]n alleged infringement of one patent is clearly not the 'same conduct, transaction, or occurrence' as the alleged infringement of another patent . . ." *Illinois Tool Works, Inc. v. Foster Grant Co.*, 395 F. Supp. 234, 250-51 (N.D. Ill. 1974) (citing Rule 15(c)); and (2) antitrust and Clayton Act claims by Nanya Taiwan are clearly not the same claims as those of an entirely different plaintiff, Nanya USA.

Moore's Federal Practice and Procedure describes three criteria to aid in determining whether a claim arises out of the same conduct, transaction or occurrence under Rule 15(c)(2): 1) whether the defendant had notice of the claim plaintiff is asserting; 2) whether

1 plaintiff will rely on the same kind of evidence offered in support of the original claim to prove
2 the new claim; and 3) whether unfair surprise to the defendant would result. *Moore's Federal*
3 *Practice and Procedure* § 15.19[2] (2006). None of these criteria are satisfied here. First, FMA
4 had no notice that Nanya would be adding noninfringement and invalidity claims relating to
5 Fujitsu Ltd.'s U.S. Patent No. 6,104,486 ("the '486 patent") (Moore Decl. ¶ 23). More
6 significantly, FMA had no notice that Nanya USA would be joined in this action. (*Id.* ¶ 24.) The
7 addition of a new U.S. corporation as an antitrust and Clayton Act plaintiff raises significant new
8 issues relating to, *inter alia*, alleged injury and damages on these claims. The evidence that will
9 be relied upon by Nanya USA to show injury and damages, for example, lost sales, will certainly
10 be different than that relied upon by Nanya Taiwan. *See Image Technical Servs., Inc. v. Eastman*
11 *Kodak Co.*, 125 F.3d 1195, 1222 (9th Cir. 1997). The addition of Nanya USA as an entirely new
12 antitrust and Clayton Act plaintiff certainly would constitute "unfair surprise" to FMA as the
13 economic activities of Nanya and Nanya USA cannot be the same. Finally, Rule 15(c)(3) does
14 not apply in this case because Nanya's Amended Complaint added a new plaintiff, not a new
15 party against whom a claim is asserted.

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18 Under the "first to file" rule, when there are two actions involving the same parties
19 pending concurrently in different districts, it is within the court's discretion to give preference to
20 the "first filed" case and stay or dismiss the second-filed case. *Pacesetter Sys., Inc. v. Medtronic,*
21 *Inc.*, 678 F.2d 93, 95 (9th Cir. 1982). Because Nanya's Amended Complaint does not relate back
22 and receive the benefit of the filing date of its earlier Complaint, FMA's N.D. Cal. Complaint is
23 the "first filed" case for purposes of a § 1404(a) analysis and this factor further weighs in favor of
24 transfer. *See Pacesetter Sys., Inc.*, 678 F.2d at 95.
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E. FMA's Motion for a More Definite Statement Must Be Granted Because Nanya's Amended Complaint Fails to Specifically Identify the Accused Infringing Products

Nowhere in its forty-six page Amended Complaint for patent infringement does Nanya identify a single FMA product accused of infringement. Nanya alleges only that, for each patent:

[u]pon information and belief, Defendants have been and are infringing [Plaintiff's patent] by making, using, selling, offering for sale, and/or importing in or into the United States, without authority, products that fall within the scope of [Plaintiff's patent].

(Amended Complaint at ¶¶ 60, 68, 76.) (emphasis added)

Nanya's Amended Complaint must list accused infringing products for each of Nanya's three asserted patents. Nanya's Amended Complaint provides no useful information regarding the accused products and unnecessarily burdens FMA and its counsel. *See Esoft, Inc.*, 2006 WL 2164454, at *2 ("Plaintiff cannot foist the burden of discerning what products it believes infringe the patent onto defense counsel . . ."). FMA is entitled to know at the outset of litigation which of its products and services are alleged to have infringed Nanya's patents. Under Rule 11, Nanya must have compared the claims of its patents to specific FMA products before filing this action and thus should be able to readily provide this basic information. *See Judin*, 110 F.3d at 784. Thus, if this case continues in Guam, this Court should grant FMA's motion for a more definite statement.

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V. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, FMA respectfully requests that this Court dismiss FMA from this action with prejudice for lack of personal jurisdiction, improper venue or inconvenient forum or, in the alternative, transfer FMA to the United States District Court for the N. D. California, a substantially more convenient forum to hear this dispute. FMA further requests, if this case proceeds, that Nanya be required to amend its Amended Complaint to identify the specific FMA products accused of infringement.

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